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SUBJ: PATRICK MORAN: REPLACEMENT FOR JEROME FORD

REF: GOMEZ-RODGERS LETTER, 1/27/75

1. REFERENCE LETTER INDICATES EMBASSY AND ECOLE NORMALE SUPERIEURE ACCEPTANCE OF CANDIDACY OF PATRICK MORAN AS NOMINEE AND JEAN MCCONOCHE AS ALTERNWTE TO REPLACE JEROME FORD AS TECHNICAL ENGLISH PROFESSOR FOR THE 1975-76 ACADEMIC YEAR. MR. MORAN APPEARS IDEALLY SUITED TO CONTINUE AND STRENGTHEN PROGRAM INITIATED BY MR. FORD.

2. THE EMBASSY FY 75 CU PROGRAM PROPOSAL INCLUDED FUNDING OF THE U.S. PROFESSOR THROUGH THE CU ALLOCATION FOR MALI. AS ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED THIS WOULD HAVE PERMITTED THE SELECTION OF FOUR NOMINEES FOR IV GRANTS. SINCE THAT TIME, HOWEVER, OUR CU ALLOCATION HAS BEEN CUT BY MORE THAN 13 PERCENT, THEREBY LEAVING FUNDS ONLY FOR TWO IV GRANTS.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTS CU/AF YEAR-END FALL OUT FUNDING FOR MORAN GRANT IN VIEW OF FOLLOWING:

- A) REDUCTION OF CU FY 75 ALLOCATION FOR MALI
- B) IMPORTANCE OF RETAINING MAXIMUM NUMBER IV GRANTS AS MALI INCREASINGLY TURNS TO U.S. FOR ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (WITNESS REACTION OF LABOR MINISTER AS REPORTED IN BAMAKO 4346)
- C) THE NEED TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE ENGLISH TEACHING PROGRAM AT ECOLE NORMALE SUPERIEURE AND ECOLE NATIONALE D'INGENIEURS

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D) SUSPENSION BY UNESCO AND THE BRITISH COUNCIL

IN 1975 OF TWO TEFL POSITIONS WHICH COMPLEMENT THE FORD PROGRAM.

4. EMBASSY VALUES HIGHLY PRESENCE OF TEFL PROFESSOR NOT ONLY AT ECOLE NORMALE SUPERIEURE AND ECOLE NATIONALE D'INGENIEURS BUT ALSO OF PRESENCE OF BAMAKO GIVEN ABSENCE OF ANY ON GOING USIS ENGLISH TEACHING PROGRAMS IN MALI.
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